

CITY ENGINEER
AND WATER DEPTS.
UNDER ONE HEAD

Two City Offices Consolidated By City Council, and C. R. Allen, Jr., Present City Engineer, Chosen to Have Charge.

O. D. SHURTLEFF
FOR OVERSEER

Chief of Police Brown Chosen Again---George Booth Rejected as Patrolman, and City Attorney Gordon Treated Likewise.

Mayor Barclay sent in a long list of appointments to the board of aldermen at its regular meeting last evening, and nearly all were confirmed. The principal appointments were those of O. D. Shurtleff to be overseer of the poor to succeed Charles A. Smith, Patrick Brown to be chief of police, C. R. Allen, Jr., to be city engineer and water superintendent to succeed both himself as engineer and W. T. Campbell the present water superintendent, and Martin Riley to be building inspector to succeed F. E. Colburn. These were confirmed, but the nomination of John W. Gordon to be city attorney and George Booth to be patrolman, were rejected by a vote of three to three in each case.

Following are the nominations made and confirmed with the vote for and against in each case:

Overseer of the poor, O. D. Shurtleff, yes, 6.

Chief of Police, Patrick Brown, yes, 6; Patrolmen, David W. Faulkner, yes, 6; Frank Hamel, yes, 4, no 2; George Booth was rejected for patrolman by a vote of 3 to 3.

City Attorney, John W. Gordon, rejected by a vote of 3 to 3.

Inspector of Buildings, Martin Riley, yes, 5, no 1.

City Engineer and Water Superintendent, Charles R. Allen, Jr., yes, 6.

Cemetery commissioner, E. L. Smith, yes, 6.

City grand jurors, H. W. Scott, Frank D. Burgess, and J. Ward Carver, yes, 6.

Board of Health, J. W. Jackson, Wm. Jack, Chas. S. Wallace, yes, 6.

Trustee Cemetery Fund, Wm. Paul, yes, 3, no 3.

Special Police: George Carle, yes, 6; John Nicholson, yes, 4, no 2; William Scott, yes, 4, no 2; P. C. Owens, yes, 5, no 1; John S. McDonald, yes, 3, no 1; C. P. Jones, yes, 6; Fred Bruce, yes, 5, no 1; A. B. Curtis, yes, 5, no 1; Creamer J. Allen, yes, 6; James E. Anderson, yes, 4, no 2; Andrew Laviolette, yes, 6; Geo. F. Howe, yes, 6; Donald McPhee, yes, 6; Byron Phelps, yes, 6; S. E. Perry, yes, 5, no 1; James N. Roberts, yes, 6; Wm. Buchanan, yes, 5, no 1; George L. Morris, yes, 5, no 1; Hiram Deline, yes, 5, no 1; Alex. J. Stewart, yes, 6; N. A. Cook, yes, 5, no 1; J. C. Dyer, yes, 5, no 1; L. B. Gallagher, yes, 6; L. N. Gauthier, yes, 4, no 2; James McConache, yes, 6.

The following nominations for special police were rejected: E. C. French, yes, 3, no 3; Abram Mann, yes, 3, no 3; H. J. Slayton, yes, 3, no 3; Charles N. Wales, yes, 3, no 3.

George N. Tilden, inspector of leather, yes, 6.

W. G. Reynolds, city weigher, yes, 6.

James Ewen, Daniel J. Kingston, and Charles Varney, city haywarders, yes, 6.

Fish and Game Wardens, B. A. Eastman, Donald Smith, yes, 6.

Pound Keepers, H. C. Leonard, H. E. Cutler, yes, 6.

Fence Viewers, W. H. Messer, Lorin F. Hooker, A. F. Dodge, yes, 6.

Surveyors of Wood and Inspectors of shingles, L. A. Armstrong, J. A. Field, yes, 6.

Sealer of Weights and Measures, C. W. Averill, yes, 5, no 1.

Inspector of Food, L. L. Leonard, yes, 6.

Trustee of Surplus Fund, F. G. Howland, yes, 5, no 1.

Tenant Officers, E. C. French, George Booth, and D. W. Faulkner. No action was taken on these nominations as a new law puts their appointment in the hands of the school commissioners.

Bills from the Smith, Whitcomb & Cook Co. for court costs to the amount of \$301.06 and from the Stafford & Holden Mfg. Co. vs. City of Barre, a chancery case, for \$92.76, were both referred to the city attorney.

A resolution appropriating \$1,000 to the poor account was passed to its second reading.

A resolution was adopted authorizing the committee on supplies to purchase a dump cart and work harness for the use of the fire horses when working on the streets.

The property committee was authorized to advertise for bids for renting

the opera house from Sept. 1st, when the present lease expires.

The sum of \$125 was appropriated to R. B. Crandall Post, G.A.R., Company E, and the Spanish War veterans for the observance of Memorial day.

A resolution was adopted fixing the salaries of the permanent members of the fire department at \$85 a month for five men, and at \$35 per annum for 30 call men.

A resolution fixing license fees the same as they were last year was returned to the license committee to make one or two additions.

A petition from the abutments on Elmwood avenue that the street be graded and worked for travel was referred to the street commissioners to report back.

City engineer Allen reported that the plot of land the city proposed to sell to the Congregational society measured up 66 2/3 feet.

On the recommendation of Architect Colburn it was voted to pay Phelps Bros. \$500 on account of their plumbing contract for the fire station.

The committee on fire reported a set of rules for the government of the fire department under the new conditions existing. The same were referred back to the committee for corrections.

At the conclusion of the meeting of the board of aldermen a meeting of the city council was called and the bonds of the first constable, city clerk, city treasurer, mayor, and aldermen Albisetti, Burke, and Milne were presented and accepted.

Bids for repairs on the old fire station were opened and read as follows: C. E. Smith, \$200; painting, \$40.

Charles Junior and Will Kelley, \$446.

C. A. Churchill & Co., \$198; painting, \$65.

H. O. Camp, \$315.25.

Kirkland & Harris, \$210; painting, \$43.

C. L. Bugbee, \$167.

On motion of Alderman Burke it was voted that the job be given to C. L. Bugbee and the property committee be authorized to execute a contract with Mr. Bugbee.

HER DEATH DUE TO

NATURAL CAUSES

Police Investigation Finds That Mrs. Leland Stanford Died of Heart Failure Resulting From Acute Indigestion.

San Francisco, Calif., March 22.—After a full examination of the evidence in the Stanford case the police late last night announced that the death of the noted woman philanthropist, Mrs. Leland Stanford, was due to natural causes. Their finding, briefly stated, is that death was due to heart disease resulting from acute indigestion.

The police cannot explain the presence of strychnine in the woman's stomach, but say that she did not take sufficient poison to cause death.

RELIEF FUND GROWING.

Up to Noon Today \$6,000 Had Been Received for Brockton Sufferers.

Brockton, Mass., March 22.—Up to noon today no more bodies had been recovered at the scene of Monday's holocaust. The morgue contains 55 bodies, fourteen of which have been identified. Contributions for the fire sufferers are already coming in and Mayor Keith has received \$6,000 up to noon, including \$1,000 from Governor Douglas.

Arrangements are progressing for a public funeral tomorrow at the City Theatre and the Porter church, also St. Paul's Episcopal church.

Castor Oil For Mummies.

M. Berthelot, secretary of the Louvre museum in Paris, believes that he has discovered the secret of the agent used in embalming in ancient Egypt, says the London Telegraph. After a laborious examination of the sarcophagi of the fifth and sixth dynasties, which date back as far as 3500 B. C., M. Berthelot has come to the conclusion that the oil employed was simply castor oil, such as is still used in Egypt, which has undergone some oxidation, but retained during the long period its preservative qualities.

The Growth of the Nails.

The growth of nails on the left hand requires eight to ten days more than those on the right. The growth is more rapid in children than in adults and goes on faster in summer than in winter. It requires an average of 132 days for the renewal of the nails in winter and but 116 during the summer months.

Silver Coin Inscriptions.

To read an inscription on a silver coin which by much wear has become obliterated heat a poker red hot and place the coin upon it. The inscription will plainly appear, of a greenish hue, but will disappear as the coin cools.

The Kudzu Bean.

The quickest growing plant in the world is the kudzu, a species of bean. It is said to have been known to grow sixty feet in three months.

HAS REACHED
SAFE PLACE

Main Russian Army Believed To Have Escaped.

HAVEN IS NOT KNOWN

This Information is Conveyed to Reuter's Telegram Company in London With Further Intelligence of Jap Captures.

London, March 22.—A despatch to the Reuter Telegram company says that the Russian army has reached a place of safety, but that the irregulars and the stragglers were cut off by the Japanese. The haven of the Russians is not given.

MUCH IMPROVED
BY THEIR REST

Russian Army is Fleeing So Rapidly That Horses and Cattle Are Dying of Exhaustion—Report From Headquarters.

With the Russian Army, 106 Miles North of Tieling, March 20.—Our rear guard now occupies Spingha, seventy miles north of Tieling. The enemy continues to follow us but the pursuit is slow, and the main Japanese army is apparently remaining at Tieling. Our four days' rest at Tieling gave us a chance to recover from the recent hardships. Since then our march has been so rapid that many horses and cattle have died from exhaustion.

Despatch riders report that a force of irregulars which were operating to the eastward were cut off before the news of the battle of Mukden reached them and were compelled to retire to the northeast, probably making for Kirin.

HAVE CHANGED PLACES.

Kuropatkin Takes Linevitch's Position With First Manchurian Army

St. Petersburg, March 22.—It is officially stated here that no issue of the internal loan at five per cent has been decided upon yet. In any case if the declaration is made, it is incorrect to say that the loan will be issued at as low a price as ninety.

The official announcement has been made that General Kuropatkin has been appointed commander-in-chief of the first Manchurian army. This is the army which General Linevitch commanded before he was chosen to succeed Kuropatkin.

TO RAISE WARSHIPS
AND REPAIR THEM

With Possible Exception of the Sevastopol All Russian Vessels Sunk at Port Arthur Can be Made Serviceable.

Victoria, B. C., March 22.—Mail advices from Japan state that an English company has been awarded the contract to raise the sunken Russian ships at Port Arthur. It is claimed that every vessel, with the possible exception of the battleship Sevastopol, can be raised and repaired. The former cruiser Varang, sunk at Chemulpo, has been raised and taken to Nagasaki for repairs.

To Make Education Compulsory.

St. Petersburg, March 22.—It is reported that the czar intends to issue an order making education compulsory throughout Russia and that the Zemstvo will be invited to send delegates to St. Petersburg to discuss the matter with the minister of public instruction.

DIED IN THE SOUTH.

Walter L. Pierce, of Hardwick, Died of Consumption.

Hardwick, March 22.—Walter L. Pierce, who with his wife went to Southern Pines, N.C., about two months ago, died last night of consumption. He was about 50 years of age. Mr. Pierce was a well known man in Calais. He leaves a wife, one daughter, Maude, and a son, Charles. He was in business in East Calais for many years before coming to Hardwick.

DULL AT BETHELE.

Work On The Woodbury Company's Quarry Slack.

Bethel, March 22.—Work at the Woodbury Granite shed is dull and but few cutters are at work.

PLAINFIELD.

Miss Blanche Barnes of Burlington, who for the past few days has been visiting her sister Mrs. E. F. Leavitt, who has been seriously ill, returned to her home Tuesday afternoon, leaving her sister very comfortable at this writing.

SUPT. OAKES
STEPS DOWN

Superintendent of State Prison Says Ill Health

CAUSED HIS DECISION.

Desire to Appear Before State Investigating Committee When It Takes Up Examination of Institution.

Windsor, March 22.—E. W. Oakes, superintendent of the state prison at Windsor, who has come in for considerable criticism recently, has addressed a letter to the board of directors, asking to be relieved of his duties as superintendent. Mr. Oakes tendered his resignation to the chairman of the board last December but it was never accepted. He now insists upon being relieved because of ill health. He has been suffering for a long time from a violent attack of the grip which he is unable to shake off. Mr. Oakes asks to be permitted to appear before the state investigating committee when it is considering the management of the penal institutions.

Mr. Oakes, who is a native of Jericho, came to Windsor in April, 1876, and in May, 1883, was appointed superintendent. He has held the position ever since, which would be 22 years next May. Mr. Oakes is in his 58th year. He does not make any statement as to his future plans in case his resignation is accepted.

PRESIDENT CAPEN
DIED EARLY TODAY

Elmer Hewett Capen, Head of Tufts College, Had Been Ill With Pneumonia For Several Days. End Came at 3 O'Clock.

Medford, Mass., March 22.—Dr. Elmer Hewett Capen, president of Tufts college, who has been ill with pneumonia for several days, died this morning shortly after three o'clock.

Dr. Capen had been president of Tufts since 1875. He was born in Stoughton, Mass., sixty-seven years ago. He has been a lawyer, clergyman of two denominations, legislator, and above all, educator. When he took the presidency of the college only about forty students attended. Now there are over a thousand. Much of the college's advance is credited to him. A widow, one son and two daughters survive.

CONTEST FOR SEAT.

Defeated Candidate in Rutland Starts Quo Warranto Proceedings.

Rutland, March 22.—Ex-Alderman Pomeroy today filed quo warranto proceedings against Alderman Guy O. Kelton of ward eleven, who is occupying the aldermanic chair under protest. Kelton was elected March 7 by one ballot. Pomeroy who was his opponent claims that three ballots were thrown out as defective. Supreme court will be petitioned for a writ.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

Mrs. S. S. Colton of Rutland is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Bush for a week.

Mrs. Thomas Brady returned this afternoon from a week's visit with friends in Burlington.

The adjourned meeting of the Barre Golf club will be held Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock at George N. Tilden's store.

C. L. Bugbee has taken the contract to make several changes in Nicholas Veale's house on Dewey street. The roof to ell is to be raised six feet and the house to be made to accommodate two families.

The Norwich University Varsity team, playing under the name of "Vermont A. C.," will play the Barre V. M. C. basketball team in Miles' hall, Friday evening, Feb. 24. This will be the last and best game of the season. Norwich has defeated some of the fastest teams of the state this season. Admission 25 cents, ladies 15 cents. Social dance after the game.

For Twenty-Fifth Anniversary.

Menu and programme for twenty-fifth anniversary of W. H. M. at M. E. church, March 22. Refreshments from 5 to 8. Menu: Chicken a la mode, Welsh rarebit, sandwiches, pickles, cake, tarts, tea and coffee.

Programme:
Mission Hymn
Piano Duet.....Batchelder and Vaughan
Reception of New Members
Paper on Mite Boxes.....Mrs. Skinner
Reading.....J. Ward Carver
Solo.....Mrs. Bradley
Reading.....Mrs. Bradley
Solo.....Miss Strong

AN EVEN THING
IN CHECKER MATCH

Five Games Apiece in International Checker Match, Total Score Now Britishers 45, Americans 24 With 171 Drawn.

Boston, March 22.—The Americans broke even with their British opponents in the sixth day's play of the international checkers tournament, winning five of the ten games played. Yesterday's winners on the British team were Searight, Buchanan, Halliwell, R. Jordan, and Morrall. The American winners were Deavir, who defeated Morrall twice, Horr, who defeated Hynd twice and Baker.

The total score for the day was: Britishers, 5; Americans, 5; drawn, 30.

Total six days' score: Britishers, 45; Americans, 24; drawn, 171.

"DUCKLING DUCKS" DEFEATED.

Barre Candle Pin Team Was Too Much For Montpelier Aggregation.

A Barre duck pin team defeated the "Duckling Duck Pin" aggregation on the local alleys, three straight strings, last evening in the following score:

BARRE.			
Letourneau	93	84	83-260
McKnight	83	84	82-249
Brown	84	77	76-237
Keneffek	82	77	69-228
White	89	56	94-269
MONTPELIER.			
Carroll	73	75	64-212
McMahon	73	79	70-222
Gokey	69	106	70-254
Badford	71	68	78-217
Dillon	77	74	80-231
Total			
	363	402	371-1136

THEIR ANNUAL SUPPER.

Ladies of Presbyterian Church Served Over 250 People.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Presbyterian church held their annual spring supper in the vestry last evening, followed by a concert in the auditorium of the church. The supper was a decided success in every way, over 250 people being served with a very fine supper. The concert was largely attended and also very enjoyable. Each number of the programme was especially well rendered and received with much appreciation by the audience. The following is the programme, selection by the ladies' quartette, composed of Miss Pinkie Lewis, Miss Bessie Jones, Mrs. H. R. Hay, and Mrs. J. M. Panton; solo, Mrs. George Houghton; violin solo, Albert Scott; duet, Miss Phillips and William Sheriffs; reading, J. Ward Carver; solo, Miss Maggie Brown; selection, ladies' quartette.

HELD AT CHURCH.

Funeral of Mrs. William Grant Was Largely Attended.

The funeral of Mrs. William Grant was held at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon from the Presbyterian church, the Rev. Mr. Wallace of South Ryegate officiating. There was a large gathering of friends and many beautiful floral offerings testified to the esteem in which the deceased was held. Two solos were sung by Miss Emma Phillips. The bearers were John Davidson, John Mortimer, William McKeown, Alex. Brebner, William Williams and William Walker.

The body was placed in the receiving tomb in Elmwood cemetery.

Funeral of Rev. R. R. Bunnell.

The funeral of the late Rev. R. R. Bunnell was held from the home of Dr. G. E. Hunt, in Montpelier, with whom he lived, yesterday morning. Beautiful floral pieces in a large number attested the esteem in which the deceased was held. Revs. W. B. Dukeshire, pastor of Third Methodist church, of which Mr. Bunnell was for many years a member, and Rev. A. N. Lewis, rector of Christ church, of which Mr. G. E. Hunt is a member, were the officiating clergymen. The bearers were Dr. G. E. Hunt, Judge Ransom Wells, J. J. Glinney, Jr., and Dr. W. H. McGoff. The body, accompanied by Dr. G. E. Hunt, was taken to Claremont, N. H., on the 9 o'clock train, for burial.

WILLIAMSTOWN.

The village high school began this week with fifteen pupils.

Clyde McAllister is working for Percy Sanders through sugaring.

Sidney Currier had the misfortune to severely sprain his ankle while at play near the railroad track recently.

Grace McAllister of Washington has returned to Warren Gearson's and will attend the spring term of the high school.

Miss Susie Whitney returned the last of the week from New York with a nice line of millinery which she will soon have ready for inspection and sale at Beckett block.

Over sixty of the neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Jules Alexander gathered at their home Monday evening to assist them to begin housekeeping in their new home. Many useful gifts and the best wishes of all were left the happy couple.

GRANITEVILLE.

Ladies interested in the I. O. O. L. M. U. Lodge in Graniteville are requested to meet at the church hall Friday, March 24th, at 7 p. m., for business of importance.

NEED SEWER
ON WEST SIDE

State Board of Health Calls Attention to a Barre Need

ATTENTION IS DEMANDED

Also States That All the School Houses of the City Should be Provided With Fire Escapes at Once. Further Recommendations.

The State Board of Health, writing to City Health Officer Joe W. Jackson, makes some pertinent recommendations concerning the city of Barre, touching upon sanitary conditions. His letter is as follows:

Joseph W. Jackson, M.D., Health Officer Barre, Vt.:

Dear Sir: Having made a sanitary inspection of your city, we commend the general hygienic conditions which apparently prevail. There are a few points which imperatively demand attention and immediate action. If there is not a city ordinance forbidding the keeping of swine in the city limits, you should call the attention of the city government to the necessity of such prohibition.

Your fine new school building is an ornament and credit to your city. The placing of furnaces, which are the only source from which the building might take fire, directly under the halls where the stairs are, demands efficient provision for hurried exit in case such a disaster should occur. A fire escape has been placed upon one end of the building, as at present arranged the pupils, in order to make use of this, can only reach the upper landing by passing through a window so high that each one would require assistance to do so; hence the window should be cut down and made into a door swinging out, which would allow of easy egress. The other end of the building should be provided with a like means of escape. The building should not be used until these requirements are fulfilled, and the plumbing has been thoroughly tested. Your four room school buildings have narrow stairways and only one exit. These should be provided with fire escapes.

Your attention is called to No. 113, Laws of 1902, as amended in 1904, the last part of section 4, 5 and 6. In accordance with these sections you will see that "all public buildings" are provided with "fire escapes." We would further call your attention to sub-section 5 of section 15 of the same act, as to your obligations in all matters pertaining to the duties of your office.

The throwing of refuse of any kind into the river as it passes through your city should be prohibited, as well as the use of the "privies" near the stone shops, which are so placed that they discharge directly into the water or upon the edge of it. They should be replaced with regular water closets connected with the sewer, or if this is impracticable, with dry dirt closets which should be carefully cared for and cleaned at least once a month.

If we are correctly informed, that portion of the city west of the river is not supplied with sewers. A system of sewers for this portion of the city should be provided at an early day. Permission is hereby granted to discharge such sewage into the Winooski river until by legislation or otherwise, said river is ordered to be cleansed of all sewage. Hence in laying out such a system of sewers they should be arranged so that when prohibited from discharging into the river, that their contents could be readily disposed of by filtration. You will observe that sub-section 4 of No. 113 of acts of 1902, "requires that every person owning a dwelling house or other building abutting on the public street in which there is a public sewer, shall be connected therewith." With the opening of the spring you will see these requirements of the law are complied with.

In behalf of the state board of health,

HENRY D. HOLTON, Secretary.

JACOB A. RIS ILL.

Many Dates Cancelled — Not Sure He Will Come to Barre.

The management of the Barre Entertainment association have received the following communication, under date of March 15, 1905, from Geo. W. Britt, manager, from whom they had booked Hon. Jacob A. Riis, who was to have appeared in the lecture course on Friday evening next:

"Dear Sir: We are sorry to say that we are just in receipt of a letter from Mr. Riis, saying that on account of ill health he will be obliged to refuse all additional dates, and even cancel a few of the later ones. We are very sorry to have to write you the above but we know that Mr. Riis would not do such a thing unless it were absolutely necessary."

"GEO. W. BRITT."

The management regret very much not having been able to secure Mr. Riis, but will arrange some good attraction to take its place, announcement of which will be made later.

Special Meeting G. C. N. U.

A special meeting of the Granite Cutters' National union, Barre Branch, will be held in the opera house Thursday evening, March 23d, at 7 o'clock. Important.

A. M. SMITH, Secretary.